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(*d*) whether Government have under consideration proposals to encourage indigenous organizations engaged in uplift work among fishermen by making grants as is done by the Labour department?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The Sree Gnanodaya Samaj was paid a total sum of Rs. 2,345 (Rs. 750 in 1917–18 and Rs. 1,595 in 1920–21) for the construction of a Temperance Hall.

(*d*) No.

Industries

Definition of 'Cottage industries.'

* 523 Q.—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state whether the Government have amended the definition of the term 'Cottage industries' and if so, how?

A.—No.

Government Industrial School, Bellary.

* 524 *Q.*—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the Government Industrial School was actually started in Bellary;

(*b*) the number of pupils and the strength of the clerical and the teaching establishment in the first year of its working and the number of classes that had then to be attended to; and

(*c*) the present strength of the school and the number of classes requiring attention now and if there has been increase in both whether the clerical and teaching establishment has been adequately strengthened to cope with the additional work and if so, the additions made to the respective establishments and if not, why not?

A.—(*a*) Started regular work from 8th July 1929.

(*b*) Number of pupils admitted 27

Number of pupils at the end of the year 22

The following staff was sanctioned for the school:—

One Superintendent on Rs. 200—20—500.

One cabinet-making instructor on Rs. 40—2½—60.

One smithy instructor on Rs. 40—2½—60.

One clerk—Storekeeper on Rs. 35—60.

The number of classes to be attended to were two, one in cabinet-making and the other in smithy work.

(c) Number of pupils at the end of 1930–31 was 42. The number of classes requiring attention was five, first and second year classes in cabinet-making, first and second year classes in smithy and a motor car driving and mechanism course started in 1930.

The following staff was sanctioned to cope with the additional work.

One lecturer in motor work on Rs. 125—7—175 and one storekeeper on Rs. 35—60.

Reduction in the rate of stipends to pupil teachers.

* 524-A *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Government have ordered with retrospective effect a reduction in the rates of stipends and stipendiary grants to women and men teachers under training in the current year;

(*b*) if so, what amount per month the Secondary Grade, Higher and Lower Elementary Grade pupil teachers will get from this month onwards;

(*c*) how the modified rate of stipends compares with the former rates;

(*d*) whether any representation has been made to the Government to the effect that the second year students may be given stipends at the usual rates till December and discharged that month and that their final examination may be held in January; and

(*e*) whether the Government have considered any other way of giving relief to poor pupil teachers who are entirely depending on the stipends they get?

A.—(*a*) Yes. A reduction of 25 per cent.

(*b*) & (*c*) A statement[a] showing the rates of stipends in force till the end of last year and the rates at which the stipends are granted from October 1931 is placed on the table.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) No.

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—" Are the Government aware that many of these pupil teachers depend entirely on their stipends and the effect of this reduction with retrospective effect will be to compel many of them to give up their training course and go home? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" I am not sure that will be the result. But national emergency justifies such a course. "

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—" Will the Government consider whether they cannot, at least in the case of the second year students, give the usual stipends till December and then discharge them at once and hold their final examination in January? "

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[a] Printed as Appendix VII on page 472 infra.